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Revisiting the Poetic Edda -

Paul Acker 2013-06-26

Bringing alive the dramatic poems of Old Norse heroic legend, this new collection offers accessible, ground-breaking and inspiring essays which introduce and analyse the exciting legends of the two doomed Helgis and their valkyrie lovers; the dragon-slayer Sigurðr; Brynhildr the implacable shield-maiden; tragic Guðrún and her children;

Attila the Hun (from a Norse perspective!); and greedy King Fróði, whose name lives on in Tolkien's Frodo. The book provides a comprehensive introduction to the poems for students, taking a number of fresh, theoretically-sophisticated and productive approaches to the poetry and its characters. Contributors bring to bear insights generated by comparative study, speech act and feminist

theory, queer theory and psychoanalytic theory (among others) to raise new, probing questions about the heroic poetry and its reception. Each essay is accompanied by up-to-date lists of further reading and a contextualisation of the poems or texts discussed in critical history. Drawing on the latest international studies of the poems in their manuscript context, and written by experts in their individual fields, engaging with the texts in their original language and context, but presented with full translations, this companion volume to *The Poetic Edda: Essays on Old Norse Mythology* (Routledge, 2002) is accessible to students and illuminating for experts. Essays also examine the afterlife of the heroic poems in Norse legendary saga, late medieval Icelandic poetry, the nineteenth-century operas of Richard Wagner's *Der Ring des Nibelungen*, and the recently published (posthumous) poem by Tolkien, *The Legend of Sigurd and Gudrún*.

The Hobbit and Tolkien's

Mythology - Bradford Lee Eden
2014-10-13

At the 2013 "Celebrating The Hobbit" conference at Valparaiso University--marking the 75th anniversary of the book's publication and the first installment of Peter Jackson's Hobbit movies--two plenary papers were presented: "Anchoring the Myth: The Impact of The Hobbit on Tolkien's *Legendarium*" by John D. Rateliff provided numerous examples of The Hobbit's influence on Tolkien's *legendarium*; and "Tolkien's French Connections" by Verlyn Flieger discussed French influences on the development of Bilbo Baggins and his adventures. In discussions with the plenary speakers and other presenters, it became apparent that a book focusing on how The Hobbit influenced the subsequent development of Tolkien's *legendarium* was sorely needed. This collection of 15 previously unpublished essays fills that need. With Rateliff's and Flieger's papers included, the book presents two chapters on the Evolution of the

Dwarven Race, two chapters on Durin's Day examining the Dwarven lunar calendar, and 11 chapters on themes exploring various topics on influences and revisions between The Hobbit and Tolkien's legendarium.

The Road to Middle-Earth -

T. A. Shippey 1983

The author draws on his own knowledge of Anglo-Saxon and on his friendship with J.R.R. Tolkien to show that the key to the inspiration, magic, and enchantment of Tolkien's Middle-earth books is language itself

The Wanderer's Havamal -

2019-11-15

The Wanderer's Hávamál features Jackson Crawford's complete, carefully revised English translation of the Old Norse poem Hávamál, newly annotated for this volume, together with facing original Old Norse text sourced directly from the Codex Regius manuscript. Rounding out the volume are Crawford's classic Cowboy Hávamál and translations of other related texts central to understanding the character, wisdom, and

mysteries of Óðinn (Odin).

Portable and reader-friendly, it makes an ideal companion for both lovers of Old Norse mythology and those new to the wisdom of this central Eddic poem wherever they may find themselves.

The Poetic Edda - 2010-03-01

The Poetic Edda comprises a treasure trove of mythic and spiritual verse holding an important place in Nordic culture, literature, and heritage. Its tales of strife and death form a repository, in poetic form, of Norse mythology and heroic lore, embodying both the ethical views and the cultural life of the North during the late heathen and early Christian times. Collected by an unidentified Icelander, probably during the twelfth or thirteenth century, The Poetic Edda was rediscovered in Iceland in the seventeenth century by Danish scholars. Even then its value as poetry, as a source of historical information, and as a collection of entertaining stories was recognized. This meticulous translation succeeds in reproducing the verse patterns,

the rhythm, the mood, and the dignity of the original in a revision that Scandinavian Studies says "may well grace anyone's bookshelf."

J.R.R. Tolkien Encyclopedia - Michael D. C. Drout 2007

A detailed work of reference and scholarship, this one volume Encyclopedia includes discussions of all the fundamental issues in Tolkien scholarship written by the leading scholars in the field. Coverage not only presents the most recent scholarship on J.R.R. Tolkien, but also introduces and explores the author and scholar's life and work within their historical and cultural contexts. Tolkien's fiction and his sources of influence are examined along with his artistic and academic achievements - including his translations of medieval texts - teaching posts, linguistic works, and the languages he created. The 550 alphabetically arranged entries fall within the following categories of topics: adaptations art and illustrations characters in Tolkien's work critical history and scholarship

influence of Tolkien languages biography literary sources literature creatures and peoples of Middle-earth objects in Tolkien's work places in Tolkien's work reception of Tolkien medieval scholars scholarship by Tolkien medieval literature stylistic elements themes in Tolkien's works theological/ philosophical concepts and philosophers Tolkien's contemporary history and culture works of literature *The Poetic Edda (the Complete Translation of Henry Adams Bellows)* - Anonymous 2018-04

First passed down orally through innumerable generations of minstrels before the presence of Christianity in Scandinavia, and written down eventually by unknown poets, "The Poetic Edda" is a collection of mythological and heroic Old Norse poems. The bulk of the text was preserved for hundreds of years in the Codex Regius of Iceland, a 13th century manuscript which was largely unknown until its rediscovery in the 17th century. Upon this rediscovery it was immediately celebrated for its

broad portrait of northern pagan beliefs and one of the most important sources of Norse mythology and Germanic heroic legends. Split into two parts, the work relates the stories of Norse gods in its first part and mortal heroes in its second. A fascinating collection of poems that has stirred the imagination of artists and writers for centuries, from the musical works of Richard Wagner to the fantasy of J. R. R. Tolkien, "The Poetic Edda" will surely continue to inspire readers for generations to come. Presented here is the complete translation of Henry Adams Bellows printed on a premium acid-free paper.

[The Little Book of Goddesses](#) -

Astrid Carvel 2022-06-09

Embrace the power of the divine in this beginner's guide to some of mythology's fiercest females and most legendary ladies Across thousands of years and countless civilizations, goddesses have been a powerful presence. Whether as leaders, mothers, warriors or lovers, these indomitable divinities have

always been able to fascinate and seduce us. This pocket guide offers readers an engaging and accessible introduction to a selection of the most powerful and influential goddesses throughout ancient and modern history, retelling their stories and celebrating their awesome abilities. Each profile includes a concise history of the goddess and her origins, a summary of her main powers, a look at the goddess in myth and popular culture and an exploration of her best attributes. Learn about the Athena, the Greek goddess of wisdom and war; Bastet, the Egyptian goddess of pleasure and protection; the beautiful Freyja, the Norse goddess of love, and many others. Let yourself be inspired and empowered by tales of feminine power, strength and wisdom in this pocketbook of dazzling deities.

[Norse Paganism for Beginners:](#)

[Explore The History of The Old](#)

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The Norse Gods, Heroes &
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Runes, Ásatrú, Tarot &
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The Poetic Edda - Unkown

2016-01-08

The Poetic Edda A Collection of Norse Poems Translated from the Icelandic with an Introduction and Notes By Henry Adams Bellows Two Volumes in One American Scandinavian Foundation The Poetic Edda is the modern attribution for an unnamed collection of Old Norse poems. Several versions exist, all consisting primarily of text from the Icelandic mediaeval manuscript known as the Codex Regius. The Codex Regius is arguably the most important extant source on Norse mythology and Germanic heroic legends, and from the early 19th century onwards has had a powerful influence on later Scandinavian literatures, not merely through the stories which it contains, but also through the visionary force and dramatic quality of many of the poems. It has also become an inspiring model for many later innovations in poetic meter, particularly in the Nordic

languages, offering many varied examples of terse, stress-based metrical schemes working without any final rhyme, and instead using alliterative devices and strongly concentrated imagery. Poets who have acknowledged their debt to the Poetic Edda include Vilhelm Ekelund, August Strindberg, J.R.R. Tolkien, Ezra Pound, Jorge Luis Borges, and Karin Boye. THERE is scarcely any literary work of great importance which has been less readily available for the general reader, or even for the serious student of literature, than the Poetic Edda. Translations have been far from numerous, and only in Germany has the complete work of translation been done in the full light of recent scholarship. In English the only versions were long the conspicuously inadequate one made by Thorpe, and published about half a century ago, and the unsatisfactory prose translations in Vigfusson and Powell's Corpus Poeticum Boreale, reprinted in the Norroena collection. An excellent translation of the

poems dealing with the gods, in verse and with critical and explanatory notes, made by Olive Bray, was, however, published by the Viking Club of London in 1908. In French there exist only partial translations, chief among them being those made by Bergmann many years ago. Among the seven or eight German versions, those by the Brothers Grimm and by Karl Simrock, which had considerable historical importance because of their influence on nineteenth century German literature and art, and particularly on the work of Richard Wagner, have been largely superseded by Hugo Gering's admirable translation, published in 1892, and by the recent two volume rendering by Genzmer, with excellent notes by Andreas Heusler, 194-1920. There are competent translations in both Norwegian and Swedish. The lack of any complete and adequately annotated English rendering in metrical form, based on a critical text, and profiting by the cumulative labors of such scholars as Mogk, Vigfusson,

Finnur Jonsson, Grundtvig, Bugge, Gislason, Hildebrand, Luning, Sweet, Niedner, Ettmuller, Mullenhoff, Edzardi, B. M. Olsen, Sievers, Sijmons, Detter, Heinzel, Falk, Neckel, Heusler, and Gering, has kept this extraordinary work practically out of the reach of those who have had neither time nor inclination to master the intricacies of the original Old Norse. CONTENTS INCLUDE: General Introduction Lays of the Gods Voluspo Hovamol Vafthruthnismol Grimnismol Skirnismol Harbarthsljoth Hymiskvitha Lokasenna Thrymskvitha Alvisismol Baldrs Draumar Rigsthula Hyndluljoth Svipdagsmol Lays of the Heroes Plus many more.....
The Elder Edda - Andy Orchard
2011-04-07
Compiled by an unknown scribe in Iceland around 1270, and based on sources dating back centuries earlier, these mythological and heroic poems tell of gods and mortals from an ancient era: the giant-slaying Thor, the doomed Völsung family, the Hel-ride of Brynhild and the cruelty of Atli the Hun.

Eclectic, incomplete and fragmented, these verses nevertheless retain their stark beauty and their power to enthrall, opening a window on to the thoughts, beliefs and hopes of the Vikings and their world.

An Encyclopedia of Tolkien -

David Day 2019-10-08

List of illustrations --

Introduction -- A dictionary of

sources -- Charts -- Battles --

Three primary ring legends --

Tolkien's ring -- Index of

sources -- Index.

Tolkien the Medievalist -

Jane Chance 2003-08-27

Interdisciplinary in approach, this book provides a fresh perspective on J.R.R. Tolkien's medievalism. Fifteen essays explore how professor Tolkien responded to a modern age of crisis - historical, academic and personal.

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Prose Edda - Snorri Sturluson
2021-04-11

The Edda is a thoroughly researched study on the Norse mythology through the analysis of an Old Norse work of literature written in Iceland during the early 13th century. Edda is considered the fullest and most detailed source for modern knowledge of Norse mythology. Scholarly approach and conducted research have allowed the author to determine the age of the

different versions of various myths.

Winter is Coming - Carolyne Larrington 2017-09-07

Game of Thrones is a phenomenon. As Carolyne Larrington reveals in this essential companion to George R R Martin's fantasy novels and the HBO mega-hit series based on them the show is the epitome of water-cooler TV. It is the subject of intense debate in national newspapers; by PhD students asking why Westeros has yet to see an industrial revolution, or whether astronomy explains the continent's climatic problems and unpredictable solstices ('winter is coming'); and by bloggers and cultural commentators contesting the series' startling portrayals of power, sex and gender. Yet no book has divulged how George R R Martin constructed his remarkable universe out of the Middle Ages. Discussing novels and TV series alike, Larrington explores among other topics: sigils, giants, dragons and direwolves in medieval texts; ravens, old gods and the

Weirwood in Norse myth; and a gothic, exotic orient in the eastern continent, Essos. From the White Walkers to the Red Woman, from Casterly Rock to the Shivering Sea, this is an indispensable guide to the twenty-first century's most important fantasy creation.

Tolkien and the Invention of Myth: A Reader - Jane Chance
2005

[In this book, the] essays illuminate the crucial episodes, characters, style, language, and concepts central to Tolkien's complex world.-Dust jacket.

J.R.R. Tolkien - Tom Shippey
2014-02-21

The definitive Tolkien companion—an indispensable guide to *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and more, from the author of *The Road to Middle-earth*. This “highly erudite celebration and exploration of Tolkien’s works [is] enormous fun,” declared the *Houston Chronicle*, and Tom Shippey, a prominent medievalist and scholar of fantasy, “deepens your understanding” without “making you forget your initial,

purely instinctive response to Middle-earth and hobbits.” In a clear and accessible style, Shippey offers a new approach to Tolkien, to fantasy, and to the importance of language in literature. He breaks down *The Lord of the Rings* as a linguistic feast for the senses and as a response to the human instinct for myth. Elsewhere, he examines *The Hobbit*’s counterintuitive relationship to the heroic world of Middle-earth; demonstrates the significance of *The Silmarillion* to Tolkien’s canon; and takes an illuminating look at lesser-known works in connection with Tolkien’s life. Furthermore, he ties all these strands together in a continuing tradition that traces its roots back through Grimms’ *Fairy Tales* to *Beowulf*. “Shippey’s commentary is the best so far in elucidating Tolkien’s lovely myth,” wrote *Harper’s Magazine*. *J.R.R. Tolkien: Author of the Century* is “a triumph” (*Chicago Sun-Times*) that not only gives readers a deeper understanding of Tolkien and his work, but also serves as an

entertaining introduction to some of the most influential novels ever written.

The Poetic Edda - Carolyne Larrington 2014-09-11

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which a girl faces down her dead father to retrieve his sword. Comic, tragic, instructive, grandiose, witty, and profound, the poems of the Edda have influenced artists from Wagner to Tolkien and speak to us as freely as when they were first written down seven hundred and fifty years ago.

Origins of a Story - Jake Grogan 2017-10-17

"If you've wondered how your favorite masterpieces got their starts, the itch can now be scratched."—Foreword Review's Matt Sutherland
"Grogan's research is meticulous and empirical...a lively peek into literary genius."—Kirkus For readers and writers alike, Origins of a Story is the inspiring collection of 202 amazing true stories behind the inspiration for the world's greatest literature! Did you know Lennie from Of Mice and Men was based on a real person? Or how about that Charlotte's Web was based on an actual spider and her egg that E. B. White would carry from Maine to New York on

business trips? Origins of a Story profiles 202 famous literary masterpieces and explores how each story got its start. Spanning works from the nineteenth century to the twenty-first, this book is the first of its kind. Get glimpses of the reality behind these fictional stories, and learn about the individual creative process for each writer. Origins of a Story will not only leave you with a different perspective into your favorite works of fiction, but it will also have you inspired to take your everyday life and craft it into a literary masterpiece!

The Book of Wonder - Lord Dunsany 2012-06-01

Looking for a stiff dose of classic fantasy? Look no further than Lord Dunsany's remarkably well-written collection, *A Book of Wonder*. This medley of fables, fantasy, and action-adventure will pique the interest of a wide array of readers. If you're in the mood for tales of quests, dragons, and brave warriors, this collection will definitely do the trick.

Echoes of Valhalla - Jón Karl Helgason 2017-06-15
Tolkien's wizard Gandalf, Wagner's Valkyrie Brünnhilde, Marvel's superhero the Mighty Thor, the warrior heading for Valhalla in *Led Zeppelin's* "Immigrant Song," and Donald Crisp's portrayal of Leif Eriksson in the classic film *The Viking*—these are just a few examples of how Icelandic medieval literature has shaped human imagination during the past 150 years. *Echoes of Valhalla* is a unique look at modern adaptations of the Icelandic eddas (poems of Norse mythology) and sagas (ancient prose accounts of Viking history, voyages, and battles) across an astonishing breadth of art forms. Jón Karl Helgason looks at comic books, plays, travel books, music, and films in order to explore the reincarnations of a range of legendary characters, from the Nordic gods Thor and Odin to the saga characters Hallgerd Long-legs, Gunnar of Hlidarendi, and Leif the Lucky. Roaming the globe, Helgason unearths echoes of Nordic lore

in Scandinavia, Britain, America, Germany, Italy, and Japan. He examines the comic work of Jack Kirby and cartoon work of Peter Madsen; reads the plays of Henrik Ibsen and Gordon Bottomley; engages thought travelogues by Frederick Metcalfe and Poul Vad; listens to the music of Richard Wagner, Edward Elgar, and the metal band Manowar; and watches films by directors such as Roy William Neill and Richard Fleischer, outlining the presence of the eddas and sagas in these nineteenth- and twentieth-century works. Altogether, *Echoes of Valhalla* tells the remarkable story of how disparate, age-old poetry and prose originally recorded in remote areas of medieval Iceland have come to be a part of our shared cultural experience today—how Nordic gods and saga heroes have survived and how their colorful cast of characters and adventures they went on are as vibrant as ever.

Intelligence, Creativity and Fantasy - Mário S. Ming Kong
2019-09-30

The texts presented in *Proportion Harmonies and Identities (PHI) - INTELLIGENCE, CREATIVITY AND FANTASY* were compiled with the intent to establish a multidisciplinary platform for the presentation, interaction and dissemination of research. The aim is also to foster the awareness and discussion on the topics of Harmony and Proportion with a focus on different visions relevant to Architecture, Arts and Humanities, Design, Engineering, Social and Natural Sciences, and their importance and benefits for the sense of both individual and community identity. The idea of modernity has been a significant motor for development since the Western Early Modern Age. Its theoretical and practical foundations have become the working tools of scientists, philosophers, and artists, who seek strategies and policies to accelerate the development process in different contexts. [The Legend of Sigurd and Gudrún](#) - J. R. R. Tolkien
2009-05-05

The world first publication of a

previously unknown work by J.R.R. Tolkien, which tells the epic story of the Norse hero, Sigurd, the dragon-slayer, the revenge of his wife, Gudrún, and the Fall of the Nibelungs.

**Norse Mythology:
Captivating Stories &
Timeless Tales Of Norse
Folklore. The Myths, Sagas
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Immortals, Magical
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History Brought Alive

As the droplets from Niflheim mixed with the fiery depths of Muspelheim, a phenomenon occurred... Exploring Norse Mythology - The Myths, Sagas & Legends Norse Mythology is truly fascinating, it is no wonder Hollywood, writers, and game studios have jumped on the bandwagon. Whether it be influence over The Marvel blockbusters, The Lord of the Rings, Game of Thrones, God of War and more. The Tales are Epic, The Battles are Fierce & The Drama is Plentiful! Join us on a discovery to the Marvels & Wonders of Norse Mythology, and learn from one of the most interesting civilizations ever

known - The Vikings. At History Brought Alive, we are history and mythology enthusiasts who are fascinated with the secrets ancient beliefs, customs, traditions, and myths hold. As you journey through this book, we will help you peel back the layers of history that surround these fascinating stories to take a peek at the accurate accounts of the myths, beliefs, customs, and traditions as they actually were. In this book you will discover: The Most Important and Powerful Gods & Goddess What Was Life Like for The Vikings? (beliefs, customs, secrets & more) Thor - God of Thunder & The Origin of Thor's Hammer (Mjolnir) The Poetic Edda, an ancient collection which historians have used as evidence to piece together the Viking era & Norse Mythology How Norse Mythology Influenced Modern Pop Culture - Marvel, Game of Thrones, Lord of the Rings, Viking Metal & More The Legend of The Draugr (The Vikings Killer Zombie) Ragnarok: All You Need to Know About the End of the World in Norse Mythology The Viking

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order to be allowed to drink
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**The Poetic Edda: The
Mythological Poems** -
2012-03-08

The ancient oral traditions of
the Norsemen live on in these
translations known as the "Lays
of the Gods." This 13th-century
collection recaptures a mythical
world that influenced Tolkien
and other storytellers.

The Poetic Edda - Carolyn
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The Poetic Edda - Illustrated
- Olive Bray 2013

TOLKIEN'S BOOKSHELF #2: THE

POETIC EDDA The Poetic Edda, also known as The Elder Edda, is a collection of thirty-four Icelandic poems, interwoven with prose, dating from the 9th century to the 12th. J. R. R. Tolkien readily acknowledged his debt to this source. He was sixteen years old when the Viking Club of London published this beautifully illustrated translation by Olive Bray. Readers of Tolkien's work will easily spot his inspirations - the names of the dwarves in The Hobbit; riddle games; Mirkwood; the Paths of the Dead; an underworld creature being tricked into remaining above-ground until dawn, when sunlight turns him to stone; different races calling a single thing by various names, and more. Illustrator W. G. Collingwood was an English author, artist, antiquary and professor. In 1897 he travelled to Iceland where he spent three months exploring the actual sites that are the settings for the medieval Icelandic sagas. His study of Norse and Anglican archaeology made him widely recognized as a leading

authority, and his Art Nouveau-style illustrations for the Bray edition are rich with symbolism. The Poetic Edda, the most important existing source on Norse mythology and Germanic heroic legends, is part of the literature that influenced Tolkien's inner world, informing the creation of The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings.

I Am in Fact a Hobbit - Perry C. Bramlett 2003

John Ronald Reuel Tolkien (1892-1973) was a brilliant writer who continues to leave his imaginative imprint on the mind and hearts of readers. He was once called the "creative equivalent of a people," and for more than sixty years his Middle-earth tales have captivated and delighted readers of all ages from all over the world. The Hobbit has long been recognized as a children's fantasy classic, and the heroic romance the Lord of the Rings has been called the most influential story of all time. These stories have sold over 150 million copies worldwide and have been translated into over forty languages, and they,

along with works such as the Silmarillion and the History of Middle-Earth, have convinced scores of readers and critics that Tolkien is the master writer of fantasy. Whether you've been a fan for years or you've just recently been hooked by the blockbuster Lord of the Rings movies, "I Am in Fact a Hobbit" is an excellent starting point into the life and work of J. R. R. Tolkien. Book jacket.

The Poetic Edda - Henry Adams Bellows 2012-03-14

This vibrant compilation presents the heroic sagas of ancient Scandinavia. Its timeless legends of superhuman warriors and doomed lovers have inspired Wagner's "Ring Cycle" and Tolkien's "Middle-earth."

The Elder Edda - 2013-11-07

Part of a new series Legends from the Ancient North, The Elder Edda is one of the classic books that influenced JRR Tolkien's The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings 'So the company of men led a careless life, All was well with them: until One began To encompass evil, an enemy from hell.

Grendel they called this cruel spirit...' J.R.R. Tolkien spent much of his life studying, translating and teaching the great epic stories of northern Europe, filled with heroes, dragons, trolls, dwarves and magic. He was hugely influential for his advocacy of Beowulf as a great work of literature and, even if he had never written The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings, would be recognised today as a significant figure in the rediscovery of these extraordinary tales. Legends from the Ancient North brings together from Penguin Classics five of the key works behind Tolkien's fiction. They are startling, brutal, strange pieces of writing, with an elemental power brilliantly preserved in these translations. They plunge the reader into a world of treachery, quests, chivalry, trials of strength. They are the most ancient narratives that exist from northern Europe and bring us as near as we will ever get to the origins of the magical landscape of Middle-earth (Midgard) which Tolkien

remade in the 20th century. *A Dictionary of Sources of Tolkien* - David Day 2019-10-17 The spellbinding world of Middle-earth is full of beasts and battles, heroes and heroines, and the struggle between good and evil. In this dictionary of sources, Tolkien scholar and best-selling author David Day's four decades of research inform us about the lands, inhabitants, languages, geography and history of Middle-earth. This compelling encyclopedia on Tolkien's world also includes over 200 illustrations and an appendix. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

A Companion to J. R. R.

Tolkien - Stuart D. Lee
2022-07-21

The new edition of the definitive academic companion to Tolkien's life and literature *A Companion to J. R. R. Tolkien* provides readers with an in-depth examination of the author's life and works, covering Tolkien's fiction and mythology, his academic

writing, and his continuing impact on contemporary literature and culture. Presenting forty-one essays by a panel of leading scholars, the Companion analyzes prevailing themes found in *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*, posthumous publications such as *The Silmarillion* and *The Fall of Arthur*, lesser-known fiction and poetry, literary essays, and more. This second edition of the Companion remains the most complete and up-to-date resource of its kind, encompassing new Tolkien publications, original scholarship, *The Hobbit* film adaptations, and the biographical drama *Tolkien*. Five entirely new essays discuss the history of fantasy literature, the influence of classical mythology on Tolkien, folklore and fairytales, diversity, and Tolkien fandom. This Companion also: Explores Tolkien's impact on art, film, music, gaming, and later generations of fantasy fiction writers Discusses themes such as mythmaking, medieval languages, nature, war,

religion, and the defeat of evil
Presents a detailed overview of
Tolkien's legendarium,
including Middle-earth
mythology and invented
languages and writing systems
Includes a brief chronology of
Tolkien's works and life, further
reading suggestions, and end-
of-chapter bibliographies A
Companion to J. R. R. Tolkien,
Second Edition is essential
reading for anyone formally
studying or teaching Tolkien in
academic settings, and an
invaluable resource for general
readers with interest in
Tolkien's works or fans of the
films wanting to discover more.
The Story of the Glittering Plain
- William Morris 1891

Cultural Legacies of Old Norse Literature - Dustin Geeraert 2022-08-23

The cultural and literary legacy of medieval Iceland, with its roots in Norse heathen religion, heroic literature, and Viking Age history, is the focus of this volume. Its chapters examine the history and reception of a particular text or topic within this remarkable tradition. They

treat a number of topics, including the legendary dragon-slayer Sigurd, the many personas of the mysterious god Odin, aspects of the ancient mythology of gods and giants, the early settlement of Iceland, the defiant Viking warriors known as the "Sworn Brothers", the entrepreneurial role of cloth production in medieval Scandinavia, the codicology and book history of key literary works, the many references to medieval Nordic lore in modern fiction and poetry, and the cultural position of islands such as Iceland in relation to the ebb and flow of religions, institutions and empires. Reconsidering these areas of Old Norse-Icelandic literary culture reveals the striking resilience and adaptability of its traditions, through a startling variety of transformations.

Song of the Vikings - Nancy Marie Brown 2012-10-30

Much like Greek and Roman mythology, Norse myths are still with us. Famous storytellers from JRR Tolkien to Neil Gaiman have drawn their inspiration from the long-haired, mead-

drinking, marauding and pillaging Vikings. Their creator is a thirteenth-century Icelandic chieftain by the name of Snorri Sturluson. Like Homer, Snorri was a bard, writing down and embellishing the folklore and pagan legends of medieval Scandinavia. Unlike Homer, Snorri was a man of the world—a wily political power player, one of the richest men in Iceland who came close to ruling it, and even closer to betraying it... In Song of the Vikings, award-winning author Nancy Marie Brown brings Snorri Sturluson's story to life in a richly textured narrative that draws on newly available sources.

[The Poetic Edda - A Book That Inspired Tolkien](#) - 2018-09-30
The Poetic Edda, also known as The Elder Edda or Saemund's Edda, is a magnificent and magical collection of thirty-four Icelandic poems, interwoven with prose, dating from the 9th century to the 12th. The original Old Norse verses are printed here, side by side with English translations. The collection includes the

archetypal stories about wise Odin, hammer-wielding Thor, mischievous Loki and the other gods and goddesses of Asgard. Professor J. R. R. Tolkien, author of The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit, readily acknowledged his debt to this source. He was sixteen years old when the Viking Club of London published this beautifully illustrated translation by Olive Bray. Readers of Tolkien's work will easily spot his inspirations--the names of the dwarves in The Hobbit; riddle games; Mirkwood; the Paths of the Dead; an underworld creature being tricked into remaining above-ground until dawn, when sunlight turns him to stone; different races calling a single thing by various names, and more. In the Poetic Edda the realm where man dwells is called "Midgarth", which translates as "Middle-earth". Elves are mentioned, and there are dwarves called Thorin, Nori, Dori, Ori, Gloin, Fili, Kili Bifur, Bafur, Bombur, and Oaken-shield. The names Thrainn and Thror are mentioned, as is the

name Gandalf, which Bray translates as "Wand-elf". Tolkien's Gandalf, of course, carries a staff, or wand. The poems features a dragon called Fierce-stinger: "Fares from beneath a dim dragon flying, a glistening snake from the Moonless Fells. Fierce-stinger bears the dead on his pinions away o'er the plains. I sink now and cease." The language is archaic, so for 21st century readers a glossary is provided at the back of this book, as well as an index of names to help identify all the characters. Bray's lengthy introduction has also been revised for modern readers, and some footnote citations omitted; all else remains exactly as it was in Tolkien's time. Remarkably in Bray's edition, the original Icelandic text was included. This would have appealed to Tolkien, as a philologist. He must have relished comparing the English words with the Icelandic, page by page. Illustrator W. G. Collingwood was an English author, artist, antiquary and professor. In 1897 he travelled to Iceland

where he spent three months exploring the actual sites that are the settings for the medieval Icelandic sagas. He produced a large number of sketches and watercolours during this time and published an illustrated account of his expedition in 1899. His study of Norse and Anglican archaeology made him widely recognized as a leading authority, and his gorgeous Art Nouveau-style illustrations for the Bray edition are rich with symbolism. The Poetic Edda, the most important existing source on Norse mythology and Germanic heroic legends, is part of the literature that influenced Tolkien's inner world, informing the creation of *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*.

Volsunga Saga - Henry Halliday Sparling 1888

The Bones of Birka - Chicago Review Press, Incorporated
2023-04-18

How many female Viking warriors does it take to make a fact? When archaeologist Dr. Charlotte Hedenstierna-Jonson

discovers that the bones contained in the most significant Viking warrior grave ever opened are in fact female, she and her team upend centuries of historically accepted conclusions and ignite a furious debate around the reality of female Viking warriors and the role of gender in both ancient and modern times. In *The Bones of Birka*, author C. M. Surrisi introduces young readers to the events that led up to this discovery and the impact it has had on scientists' and historians' views of gender roles in ancient societies and today. This is the inside account of the Birka warrior grave Bj 581 archaeological endeavor, including all of the dreams, setbacks, frustrations, excitement, politics, and personalities that went into this history-changing discovery. The finding has raised crucial questions about research bias, academic dialogue, and gender identity.

[The Poetic Edda](#) - 2016-09-05

The Poetic Edda - Old Norse Anonymous Poems - Translated from the Icelandic with an

Introduction and Notes By Henry Adams Bellows - Two Volumes in One - Poetic Edda is the modern attribution for an unnamed collection of Old Norse anonymous poems, which is different from the Edda, written by Snorri Sturluson. Several versions exist, all consisting primarily of text from the Icelandic mediaeval manuscript known as the Codex Regius. The Codex Regius is arguably the most important extant source on Norse mythology and Germanic heroic legends, and from the early 19th century onwards, it has had a powerful influence on later Scandinavian literatures, not merely by the stories it contains but also by the visionary force and dramatic quality of many of the poems. It has also become an inspiring model for many later innovations in poetic meter, particularly in Nordic languages, offering many varied examples of terse, stress-based metrical schemes working without any final rhyme by instead using alliterative devices and

strongly-concentrated imagery.
Poets who have acknowledged
their debt to the Codex Regius

include Vilhelm Ekelund, August
Strindberg, J.R.R. Tolkien, Ezra
Pound, Jorge Luis Borges, and
Karin Boye.